group with 1 to 6 of carbon, fluoro group, or alkyl group with 1 to 6 of carbon, and b and c represents integer of 1 or 2, respectively,

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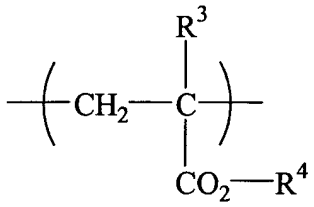
General formula (b)



wherein, R^3 represents hydrogen atom or methyl group, R^4 represents alkyl group with 1 to 22 of carbon, fluoro alkyl group with 1 to 22 of carbon, or a substituent represented by the following general formula (c),

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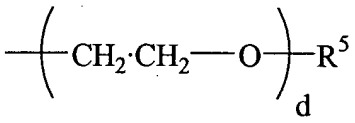

wherein, d represents a positive integer of 1 to 6 and R^5 represents alkyl group with 1 to 6 of carbon.

8. (New) The optical diffusing plate according to Claim 1, wherein the birefringent film contains a base material polymer selected from the group consisting of polyester polymers, styrene polymers, olefin polymers, carbonate polymers, acrylics polymers, vinyl chloride polymers, cellulose polymers, amide polymers, imide polymers, sulfone polymers, polyether sulfone polymers, polyether ether ketone polymers, poly phenylene sulfide polymers, vinyl alcohol polymers, vinylidene chloride polymers, vinyl butyral polymers, allylate polymers, poly oxy methylene polymers, and blended mixtures thereof.

9. (New) The optical diffusing plate according to Claim 8, wherein the base material polymer is a polymer comprising hydrocarbon without any polar group.

10. (New) The optical diffusing plate according to Claim 3, wherein the length in the direction of stretching axis of the minute domain is from 1 to 100 μm.